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Priority National Intelligence Objectives in the
Field of International Communism

The attached memorandum and draft "Priority National Intelligence Objectives in the Field of International Communism," prepared by the Committee on International Communism, will be placed on the agenda of an early IAC meeting for appropriate action with respect to the Committee's recommendation.

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Secretary

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MEMORANDUM

25X1 To : [] Secretary, IAC
25X1 From : [] Chairman, Committee on International
Communism
Subject : Priority National Intelligence Objectives in the Field
of International Communism
Reference : IAC-D-99/2, dated January 24, 1956; IAC-D-99/3,
dated July 17, 1956

Pursuant to the terms of reference for the Committee on International Communism (IAC-D-99/2) and in keeping with the intention indicated in the Committee's interim report (IAC-D-99/3, para. III. B.), the Committee submits the attached list of "Priority National Intelligence Objectives in the Field of International Communism." This list is based upon DCID 4/6 (approved by the IAC on 30 October 1956) and is designed to serve as a constitutional authorization for collection and production rather than as a detailed collection and production guide.

The Committee recommends that the IAC review and approve the attached draft as the Priority National Intelligence Objectives in the Field of International Communism.

The Committee is now considering the precise means to employ this priority list and will submit its proposals to the IAC in the near future.

Attachment:

List of Priority National Intelligence
Objectives in the Field of International
Communism

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1. Pursuant to National Security Council Directive No. 4, DCID 4/6 (approved by the IAC on October 30, 1956) established a list of priority national intelligence objectives as a guide for the coordination of intelligence collection and production in response to requirements relating to the formulation and execution of national security policy.
2. In order to establish a list of priority national intelligence objectives in the field of international Communism, the IAC Committee on International Communism has derived the following intelligence objectives from DCID 4/6. The statement of these objectives will be revised when required by revision of DCID 4/6.
3. By definition, all items in this listing are deemed to be critical factors relating to international Communism requiring priority attention and effort. Distinction is made, however, between two levels of priority within the general priority category.
4. The relevant DCID 4/6 objective is quoted first, followed by an indented outline listing of the national intelligence requirements for collection and production of intelligence material.

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